

The 2023 Congressional Art Competition is open to all high school students who attend school or reside in Florida's 7th Congressional District which includes Seminole and parts of Volusia County.

Each student can enter no more than 1 piece. Artwork must be the creation of a single student. Students may not collaborate on an entry.

Each student must RSVP their intent to participate by March 1, 2023 3:00 p.m. to vanessa.horgan@mail.house.gov 407-907-4253

TO ENTER

Accepted mediums for the two-dimensional artwork are as follows:

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
- Drawings: colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal (It is recommended that charcoal and pastel drawings be fixed.)
- Collages: must be two dimensional
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-generated art
- Photographs

All entries must be original. The entry may not reproduce an image from a third party in the same or any medium, nor infringe the creative rights of any third party. The work may not violate U.S. Copyright law.

Artwork must be two-dimensional. Artwork can be **no larger than 26 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 4 inches deep.** If your artwork is selected as the winning piece, it must arrive in Washington, DC, framed. **Even when framed, it must still measure no larger than the above maximum dimensions.** No framed piece should weigh more than 15 pounds.

Artwork should not be framed for awards ceremony but must be matted.

Each entry must have 3 Completed Release Forms, one to be secured to the back of the artwork, one to be handed into the Congressional office and the third for you records. The form requires a description of the artwork, which should be detailed, clearly identifying the major elements of the work. **The student, an art teacher, and a parent or guardian must sign where appropriate.** Arrows to indicate which side is up. Also, provide a label with title, description of piece, name, grade, and school for the exhibit.

SUBMISSION DATE AND LOCATION

Tuesday April 4th by 5:00 p.m.

1525 International Pkwy, #1051, Lake Mary, Florida 32746

1000 City Center Circle, Port Orange, Florida 32129

Students must take their artwork home after announcement of winners on the night of the Awards Ceremony.

SUITABILITY GUIDELINES

Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission (the Commission). In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy, or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. While it is not the intent to censor any artwork, we do wish to avoid artwork that is potentially inappropriate for display in this highly travelled area leading to the Capitol.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Awards ceremony will be held on April 7, 2023, at the Lake Mary Community Center 140 E. Wilbur Avenue, Lake Mary. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Winners will be announced at ceremony.

AWARDS

1st Place

2nd Place

3rd Place

All students and teachers participating will receive a congressional certificate and a photo with Congressman Cory Mills at the event.

1st place Artwork will hang in the Cannon Tunnel for the duration of the exhibition. 2nd place will be hung in our Lake Mary office and 3rd place will be exhibited in our satellite office in Port Orange. Students should only submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.

*For further detailed information & guidelines please visit: mills.house.gov/services.artcompetiton – based on 2022 rules and are subject change